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LETTERS

SENT,

Two from Her Most Gracious MAJESTY,

VIZ.

One to the Princess SOPHIA,

The other to the Duke of CAMBRIDGE;

And One from the Lord High Treasurer

TO THE

Duke of CAMBRIDGE;

Relating to his Coming over to *England*.

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From the Duke of Cambridge

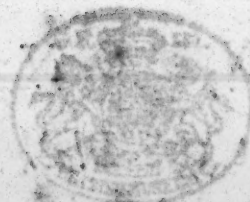
The Duke of Cambridge

And also from the Duke of York

Vol. II

Duke of Cambridge

Relating to the Court of England



To the late Princess Sophia.

Madam, Sister, Aunt,

SINCE the Right of Succession to My Kingdoms has been declared to belong to You and your Family, there have always been disaffected Persons, who, by particular Views of their own Interest, have entred into Measures to fix a Prince of your Blood in My Dominions, even whilst I am yet living. I never thought till now that this Project would have gone so far, as to have made the least Impression on your Mind: But as I have lately perceiv'd by publick Rumours which are industriously spread, that your Electoral Highness is come into this Sentiment, it is of Importance, with Respect to the Succession of your Family, that I should tell You such a Proceeding will infallibly draw along with it some Consequences that will be dangerous to that Succession it self, which is not secure any other Ways, than as the Prince who actually wears the Crown maintains Her Authority and Prerogative. There are here, (such is Our Misfortune) a great many People that are seditiously disposed: So I leave You to judge what Tumults they may be able to raise, if they should have a Pretext to begin a Commotion. I persuade My self therefore, You will never consent that the least Thing should be done, that may disturb the ~~Repose of Me or My Subjects.~~

Open your Self to Me with the same Freedom I do to You, and propose whatever You think may contribute to the Security of the Succession: I will come into it with Zeal, provided that it do not derogate from My Dignity, which I am resolv'd to maintain. I am with a great deal of Affection, &c.

St. JAMES'S
May 19th. 1714.

Superscrib'd

*To My Sister and Aunt, Electress Dowager of Brunswick
and Lunenburgh.*

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Cousin,

Cousin,

AN Accident which has happen'd in my Lord *Paget's* Family, having hindered him from setting forward so soon as he thought to have done, I cannot defer any longer letting You know My Thoughts with Respect to the Design You have of coming into My Kingdoms. As the Opening of this Matter ought to have been first to Me, so I expected You would not have given Ear to it without knowing My Thoughts about it: However, this is what I owe to My own Dignity, the Friendship I have for You, and the Electoral House to which You belong, and the true Desire I have that it may succeed to My Kingdoms; and this requires of Me that I should tell You, that Nothing can be more dangerous to the Tranquillity of My Dominions, and the Right of Succession in your Line, and consequently more disagreeable to Me than such a Proceeding at this Juncture. I am with a great deal of Friendship,

Your very affectionate Cousin.

St. JAMES'S,
May 19th. 1714.

Superfcrib'd,

To the Duke of CAMBRIDGE:

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May it please Your Royal Highness,

THO' I expect Mr. *Harley* every Moment in return from your Court, and thereby shall have another Opportunity of doing Myself the Honour to present your Royal Highness with My most humble Duty, and the Assurance of My utmost Service: Yet I cannot slip this Occasion of the Queen's Messenger attending your Royal Highness with Her Majesty's Letter, to lay Myself at your Feet. I have no Enemy that knows me, who is not just enough to allow me to be inviolably attach'd to your Succession, nothing coming into Competition with that, because I know I please the Queen when I am Zealous for the Service of your Serene House. I hope therefore, I shall find Credit with your Royal Highness, when I humbly lay My sincere Opinion before You. The Queen is most heartily for Your Succession: If there be any Thing which may render it more Secure, which is consistent with Her Majesty's Safety, it will be accomplish'd. It is not the eager Desires of some, nor what flows from the Advice of others, whose Discontents perhaps animate their Zeal, can Balance the Security You have in the Queen's Friendship, and the dutiful Affection of all Her faithful Subjects; for as I am sure your Royal Highness's great Wisdom would not chuse to rule by a Party, so You will not let their narrow Measures be the Standard of Your Government. I doubt not, but the Accident that happen'd about the Writ, may be improv'd to encrease the most perfect Friendship between the Queen and your most Serene Family. I still study to do every Thing to demonstrate the profound Veneration and Respect wherewith I am,

May it please Your Royal Highness,

Your Royal Highness's

Most Dutiful, most Humble,

and most Obedient Servant,

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